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In re Application of: Ming-Lai Lai et al.

CONFIRMATION NO.: 5900

Serial No.: 10/777,840

GROUP ART UNIT: 3732

Filed: February 12, 2004

EXAMINER: J. Wilson

For: USE OF FINITE ELEMENT ANALYSIS FOR ORTHODONTIC MECHANICS AND APPLIANCE SELECTION

RESPONSE TO MAY 10, 2006 OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☐ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 53	MINUS	** 53	X 1	() X 25.00 () X 50.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 4	MINUS	4	X 1	() X 100.00 (X) X 200.00	\$0.00
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES () NO	() \$150.00 () \$300.00 ONE TIME	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00	

* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20 write "20" in this space.

■ Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend this time for response to the Office Action dated May 10, 2006 for 1 month so that the period for response is extended to September 10, 2006. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is attached to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account No. 26 0175. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ is attached.

☐ A check for \$ _____ accompanying IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(c) is attached

☐ A check for \$ _____ and Petition for Consideration of IDS under 37 CFR 1.97(d) is attached.

■ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to **Account No. 50 1519**. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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August 23, 2006

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTION

Claims 50-102 remain in the application.

Claims 50-102 are rejected.